



Washington
Department of
**FISH and
WILDLIFE**

WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE
HUNTER WITH A DISABILITY APPLICATION

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APPLICANT INFORMATION

LAST NAME				FIRST NAME		MI	SUFFIX JR / SR
MAILING ADDRESS				PHYSICAL STREET ADDRESS			
CITY			STATE		ZIP	PHONE ()	
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PERSONS ELIGIBLE FOR A DISABLED HUNTER PERMIT

(MUST HAVE PHYSICIAN'S CERTIFICATION)

- ☐ A Permanently disabled person who is not ambulatory over natural terrain without lower extremity prosthesis or medically prescribed assistive device.

OR

Having permanent loss, significant limitation, or diagnosed disease or disorder, which substantially impairs one or both upper or lower extremities

OR

Blind or Visually Impaired (Central visual acuity must not exceed 20/200 in the better eye with corrective lenses, or the widest diameter of the visual field is not greater than twenty degrees).

BEFORE COMPLETING THIS APPLICATION, PLEASE READ [WAC 232-12-828](#) PRINTED ON BACK

PERSONS ELIGIBLE FOR A REDUCED FEE HUNTING LICENSE

- ☐ A resident 65 years old or older who is an honorably discharged Veteran of the United States Armed Forces having a service-connected disability. [Copy of [RCW 77.32.480](#) (1) available with application]
- ☐ Residents who are honorably discharged Veterans of the United States Armed Forces with a 30% or more service connected disability. [Copy of [RCW 77.32.480](#) (2) available with application]
- ☐ An honorably discharged Veteran of the United States Armed Forces who is a resident and permanently uses a wheelchair. [Copy of [RCW 77.32.480](#) (3) available with application]

I hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Washington that the foregoing information is true and correct.

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Applicant's Signature

Date

PHYSICIAN'S CERTIFICATION

I do hereby certify under penalty of perjury of law that the above named applicant is qualified as checked and defined in WAC 232-12-828 or RCW 77-32-480 and that I am a physician licensed to practice in the state in which the applicant resides.

Physician's Signature

Date

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Phone

City

PHYSICIAN **MUST** PLACE OFFICE STAMP IN THIS BOX

For Department Use Only

Approved By: _____

Date: _____

D #: _____

WILD ID #: _____

WAC 232-12-828 Hunting of game birds and animals by persons with a disability.

(1) Definitions:

(a) "Hunter with a disability" means a person with a permanent disability who possesses a disabled hunter permit issued by the department. A hunter with a disability must have all required licenses, tags, permits, and stamps before hunting.

(b) "Disabled hunter permit" means a permit, card, or endorsement to a license issued by the department to any person with a permanent disability who applies to the department and presents such evidence as the director may require showing that the applicant is a person with a qualifying disability. Upon approval of the application, the department will issue a vehicle identification placard. A designated hunter companion card will be issued with a hunting license.

(c) "Designated hunter companion" means a person who assists a hunter with a disability in the stalking, shooting, tracking, retrieving, or tagging of game birds and game animals.

(d) "Designated hunter companion card" means an identification card issued by the department to the hunter with a disability.

(e) "Blind or visually impaired" means a central visual acuity that does not exceed 20/200 in the better eye with corrective lenses, or the widest diameter of the visual field does not exceed twenty degrees.

(f) "Accompany" means the hunter with a disability and the designated hunter companion are in the physical presence of each other, not to exceed 1/4-mile separation. While stalking or shooting an animal, the hunter with a disability and the designated hunter companion must have a form of reliable and direct communication.

(g) "Special use permit" means a permit issued by the department to a person with a specific permanent disability as a reasonable accommodation. The special use permit allows for a specific act or acts to include, but not be limited to, use of adaptive mechanical, electrical, or specialty equipment or devices that aid the person in hunting.

(h) "Person with a disability" means:

(i) A person who has a permanent disability and is not ambulatory over natural terrain without a lower extremity prosthesis or must permanently use a medically prescribed assistive device for mobility, including, but not limited to, a wheelchair, crutch, cane, walker, or oxygen bottle; or

(ii) A person who has a permanent disability and is physically incapable of holding and safely operating a firearm or other legal hunting device.

This definition includes, but is not limited to, persons with a permanent upper or lower extremity impairment who have lost the use of one or both upper or lower extremities, or who have a severe limitation in the use of one or both upper or lower extremities, or who have a diagnosed permanent disease or disorder which substantially impairs or severely interferes with mobility or the use of one or both upper or lower extremities for holding and safely operating a firearm or other legal hunting device; or

(iii) A person who is blind or visually impaired.

"Visually impaired" means central visual acuity that does not exceed 20/200 in the better eye with corrective lenses, or the widest diameter of the visual field is no greater than twenty degrees.

(2) The designated hunter companion must accompany the hunter with a disability when stalking or shooting game on behalf of the hunter with a disability. The hunter with a disability or the designated hunter companion must immediately cut, notch, or date any required tag. The tag must be affixed to the carcass of the game bird or animal as soon as is reasonably possible after killing the game.

(3) The designated hunter companion does not need to accompany the hunter with a disability while tracking an animal wounded by either hunter, or while tagging or retrieving a downed animal on behalf of the hunter with a disability.

(4) It is unlawful for a designated hunter companion to assist a hunter with a disability unless the designated hunter companion has the designated hunter companion identification card on his or her person.

(5) It is unlawful for a hunter with a disability to shoot from a motor vehicle, nonhighway vehicle or snowmobile unless the vehicle is stopped, the motor is turned off and the vehicle is not on or beside the maintained portion of a public highway. A disabled hunter vehicle identification placard must be displayed.

(6) It is unlawful for any person to possess a loaded firearm in a moving vehicle or to shoot a firearm or bow and arrow from, across, or along the maintained portion of a public highway.

(7) Game birds or game animals killed, tagged or retrieved by a designated hunter companion on behalf of a hunter with a disability do not count against the designated hunter companion's bag or possession limit.

(8) A designated hunter companion shooting game for or may be shooting game for a hunter with a disability must have a valid hunting license issued by Washington or another state.

[Statutory Authority: RCW [77.12.047](#). 03-10-040 (Order 03-85), § 232-12-828, filed 4/30/03, effective 5/31/03. Statutory Authority: RCW [77.32.237](#). 96-03-084 (Order 96-07), § 232-12-828, filed 1/18/96, effective 2/18/96.]